Statement-II

Scheme-wise/Project-wise detail of outlay and expenditure of schemes operating in Andhra Pradesh

(Rs. in lakh)

	2004-05 (Actual Expenditure)	2005-06 (BE)
Directorate of Rice Research, Hyderabad	338.88	310.00
AICRP Rice, Hyderabad	569.96	634.10
NRC Sorghum, Hyderabad	267.62	216.35
AICRP Sorgum, Hyderabad	351.78	430.26
Central Tobacco Research Institute, Rajamundry	274.99	170.00
Network Project on Tobacco, Rajamundry	125.00	134.39
Directorate of Oilseed Research, Hyderabad	125.00	245.00
AICRP on Sunflower, Safflower, Castor, Hyderabad	405.00	359.51
Network on Economic Ornithology, Hyderabad	115.00	92.88
NRC Oil Palm, Pedavegi, A.P.	225.00	210.00
Central Research Institute of Dryland Agriculture, Hyderabad	198.46	195.00
AICRP Dryland Agriculture, Hyderabad	860.00	875.00
AICRP on Agrometeorology, Hyderabad	150.00	225.00
Project Directorate of Poultry, Hyderbad	198.35	200.00
AICRP on Poultry, Hyderbad	317.69	355.00
NRC on Meat and Meat Products Technology, Hyderabad	149.72	400.00
National Academy of Agricultural Research & Management (NAARM), Hyderabad	128.80	200.00
TOTAL	4801.23	5252.49

Problem in agriculture sector

†2602. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted a survey with regard to the problems being faced in the development of agriculture sector;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the main probmems identified so far;

(c) the problems out of the above which are due to paucity of funds;

(d) the problems which are due to lack of knowledge; and

(e) the decline noticed in agriculture sector due to the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) to (d) The National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation conducted the Situation Assessment Survey of Farmers in 2003 covering different aspects like educational level of farmer households, level of living as measured by consumer expenditure and indebtedness, their farming practices and preferences, resource availability and their awarness of technological developments and access to modern technology. The areas of concern as found in the survey reports include high indebtedness of the farmer households, consumption level below the average of rural households, less accessibility to modern technology, poor awareness on certain important schemes like Minimum Support Price and Crop Insurance and less participation in group activities through cooperative societies etc.

(e) In India, agricultural growth is largely influenced by rainfall and climatic conditions since about 60 per cent area is still rain fed. The latest statistics released by Central Statistical Organisation shows that agricultural sector grew by 1.1 per cent during 2004-05 and the estimated average growth rate during the first two quarters of the current year i.e. 2005-06 is 2 per cent.

Cotton production

2603. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over 230 lakh bales of cotton was produced in the cotton season 2004-05;

(b) whether the cotton crop is expected to be over 270 lakh bales in the cotton season 2005-06 and whether this will affect the prices;

(c) whether Government are contemplating to export surplus cotton;